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In re Application of: ) COUPLING MECHANISM AND  
 ) PANEL FOR SECTIONAL DOOR  
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HOERNER et al. )  
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Serial No. 09/249,916 ) Group Art Unit: 3634  
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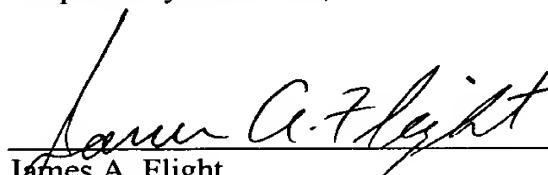
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## ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION FOR PATENT

WHEREAS, WE, Bill Hoerner, 1935 North Grandview, Dubuque, IA 52001, U.S.A., Tom Jansen, 10186 Dixie Drive, Dubuque, IA 52001, U.S.A., and Perry Knutson, 205 South Polk Street, Lancaster, WI 53813, U.S.A., respectively, have invented and own a certain new and useful invention entitled:

### Coupling Mechanism and Panel for Sectional Door

for which invention we have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States which was filed on February 12, 1999, under Serial No. 09/249,916; and

WHEREAS, RITE-HITE HOLDING CORPORATION, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, and having a principal place of business at 8900 North Arbon Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53223-0043 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire domestic and foreign right, title, and interest in and under the invention described in the application for Letters Patent.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, we have assigned and set over, and by this document do assign and set over, to the Assignee and the Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns the entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention in the United States and every foreign country, the applications for Letters Patent and other such applications (e.g., continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals and reissues) in the United States and every foreign country, and the Letters Patents or extensions thereof, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue thereon; and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the Letters Patent in the United States to the above-mentioned Assignee agreeably with the terms of this assignment document.

WE HEREBY AUTHORIZE the above-mentioned Assignee to insert in this assignment document the filing date and serial number of the application if the date and number are unavailable at the time this document is executed.

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WE DO HEREBY COVENANT and agree with the Assignee that we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with the terms of this assignment document set forth herein, and that we will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as the Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, continuation, renewal, reissued, or extended

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunder set our hands on the dates shown below.

Date 4-7-00

Bill Hoerner  
Bill Hoerner

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On this 7<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL, 2000, before me, a Notary Public in and for said county, appeared Bill Hoerner, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing assignment document, and acknowledged that he signed and delivered the document as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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